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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EMIN EFIN JA UR

SUBJECT: SOVIET-JAPANESE NEGOTIATIONS FOR OIL AND GAS EXPLORATION  
ON SAKHALIN

1. JAPANESE EMBASSY MOSCOW ECONOMIC COUNSELOR AKIHO (PRO-TECT) TELLS US JAPANESE DELGATION WHICH HAS BEEN IN MOSCOW FOR PAST FEW WEEKS FOR SPECIAL NEGOTIATIONS ON OIL/GAS EXPLORATION ON AND NEAR SAKHALIN NOW CONCLUDING TALKS WITH SOVIETS. DRAFT AGREEMENT WILL BE INITIALED THIS WEEK, POSSIBLY DEC 4.

2. AKIHO SAID TWO PROBLEMS HAVE DEVELOPED, FIRST OF WHICH JAPANESE UNABLE TO DO ANYTHING ABOUT. IT SEEMS THAT SOVIETS HAVE NOW DISCOVERED NEW OIL PRODUCING AREA AND CONSEQUENTLY AGREEMENT WILL EXCLUDE AREA WHERE OIL DISCOVERED. (HE DID NOT MENTION SPECIFIC REGION.) SECOND PROBLEM IS CREDIT TERMS.

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SOVIETS ARE, AS USUAL, DEMANDING UNREASONABLY LOW INTEREST

RATE IN NEIGHBORHOOD OF 6.5 PERCENT. ALSO WANT PAYMENTS  
TO BE SPECIFIED IN US DOLLARS RATHER THAN YEN. SINCE  
THESE QUESTIONS NOT FULLY RESOLVED, AGREEMENT WILL NOT  
BE SIGNED AT THIS TIME BUT ONLY INITIALED. FUTHER  
NEGOTIATIONS EXPECTED IN TOKYO .  
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